

April 21, 1998

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RE: Request for Extension of Comment Period on the Draft
 Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental
 Impact Report for the CALFED Bay-Delta Program - SCAG No.
 19800141

Dear Mr. Snow:

Thank you for submitting the **Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report for the CALFED Bay-Delta Program** to SCAG for review and comment. The Bay-Delta Program is of extreme interest and importance to southern California, especially to our elected officials who are regularly faced with decisions affecting water supply and distribution. Decisions on the Bay-Delta alternatives will significantly impact our six-county region's future.

SCAG's Regional Council recently established a Water Task Force, chaired by Art Brown, Councilmember, City of Buena Park, to consider the complex issues surrounding our region's water needs. Over the next few months, the task force will be reviewing the CALFED Bay-Delta Program documents and making recommendations to our Energy and Environment Committee and Standing Committee on Implementation.

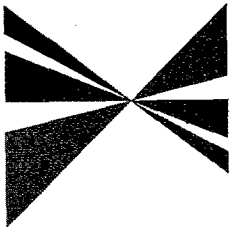
In order to allow sufficient time for our elected officials to review the Bay-Delta Program Draft EIS/EIR, we respectfully request a three month extension of the comment period to September 1, 1998.

If you have any questions concerning this request for extension of the comment period, please contact our Legal Counsel, Helene Smookler at (213) 236-1816 or Rich Macias at (213) 236-1805. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


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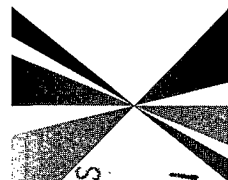
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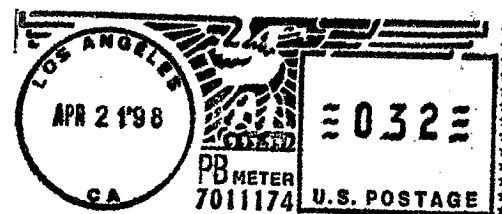
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